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IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace paragraph 11 with the following paragraph:

--FIG. 3 is a sectional view of another embodiment of the present invention ~~across line 3-3 of FIG. 1~~.--

Please replace paragraph 12 with the following paragraph:

--FIG. 4 is a sectional view ~~across line 4-4 of FIG. 1~~, depicting the embodiment of FIG. 1 with a depressed button.--

Please replace paragraph 27 with the following paragraph:

--Referring to FIGS. 2 and 4, the button spring 52 is a coil spring disposed within the interior cavity 16 of the handle between the button 42 and the ratchet mechanism 46. The button spring 52 is not, however, limited to a coil-type spring and may alternatively assume other biasing forms; e.g., leaf spring, elastic member, etc. Alternatively, as shown, for example, in FIG. 3, the button spring 52 may be disposed between the button 42 and a protrusion 98 in the interior cavity 16. The button ~~spring~~ 42 ~~spring~~ 52 is operable to provide a constant force against the button 42 generally in the direction of the first end 36 of the interior cavity 16.--

Please replace paragraph 28 with the following paragraph:

--In operation, the user depresses the button 42, thereby causing the piston body 60 and, accordingly, the piston head 62 to move toward the ~~second end 66~~ ~~second end 38~~ of the interior cavity 16. The first ratchet elements 58 on the inner walls 56 of the aperture 54 of the ratchet mechanism 46 allow the second ratchet elements 70 on the piston body 60 to pass thereby. As the piston body 60 travels towards the second end 38 of the interior cavity 16, the volume of the portion of the interior cavity 16 in which the flowable shaving aid 30 is stored is reduced. The flowable shaving aid 30 is, therefore, forced from the interior cavity

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16, to the one or more ports 26 where it is dispensed adjacent the razor cartridge 22. When the pressure on the button 42 is released, the button 42 then returns to the rest position 86 under the force of the button spring 52. However, the first ratchet elements 58 on the ratchet mechanism 46 engage the second ratchet elements 70 on the piston body 60, thereby preventing the piston 48 from moving towards the first end 36 of the interior cavity 16. The flowable shaving aid material 30 is then applied to the surface being shaved adjacent the razor cartridge 22 during shaving.--